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(54)	COMPUTER SYSTEM USING A DIGITAL
	CAMERA THAT IS CAPABLE OF
	INPUTTING MOVING PICTURE OR STILL
	PICTURE DATA

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(57)**ABSTRACT**

A host computer includes a device driver which is adaptive to a digital camera and has a storage driver function for writing/reading image data representative of a still picture in/out of the camera by bulk transfer, an image driver function for receiving image data representative of a moving picture from the camera by isochronous transfer, an audio driver function for receiving speech data from the camera by isochronous transfer, and an operation driver function having operation commands on the shooting operation of the camera. During an electronic conference the host can receive image data representative of a moving picture and speech data as well as, if necessary, image data representative of a still picture prepared beforehand from the camera. The host also can receive image data representative of a new still picture taken during the conference from the camera.

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